

**WESTERN HEMISPHERE  
(683 / XX23P)**

**Disciplinary Core**

NS 3000—War in the Modern World  
NS 3023—Introduction to Comparative Politics  
NS 3024—Introduction to International Relations  
NS 3040—The Politics of Global Economic Relations  
or NS 3041—Comparative Economic Systems  
NS 2011—Policy Analysis and Research Methods

**Curricular Core**

NS 3501—History and Cultures of Latin America  
NS 3510—Government and Politics in Latin America  
NS 3520—Latin American International Relations  
NS 4510—Seminar in Latin American Government and Politics  
NS 4560—Latin American Security Issues  
NS 4255—Naval History and Maritime Strategy (required for USN, otherwise elective)

**Curricular Electives**

*(Please note: electives change frequently, and this may not be a comprehensive list. Academic Associates and Regional Coordinators may approve as regional electives classes that are not on the list below.)*

Three of the following:

NS 3155—Intelligence and Democracy  
NS 3900—International Law and Organizations  
NS 4020-29—Special Topics (region-specific)  
NS 4225—Civil-Military Relations in Transitions to Democracy  
NS 4235—Stability Operations  
NS 4332—Ethnicity and Ethnic Conflict in the Developing World  
NS 4501—Politics, Film and Fiction in Latin America (Spanish and English language sections)  
NS 4540—Political Economy of Latin American Development  
NS 4650—Advanced Seminar in Drug Control Strategy and Policy  
NS 4801—International Terrorism  
NS 4880—Seminar in Legal and Military Responses to Political Violence  
SO 4850—Low-Intensity Conflict: Latin America

**General Electives**

General electives may be selected from among all courses in the Department of National Security Affairs; or, with permission of the Academic Associate, from such courses in other Departments and Groups. The number of general electives available to a student varies with service affiliation, length of stay, and other factors. The accompanying matrices illustrate the range of possibilities.

## Regional Studies: Western Hemisphere Track

### 683 Curriculum

#### 6 Quarter Matrix

| (Winter)  | (Spring)   | (Summer)  | (Fall)  | (Winter)  | (Spring)                                |
|---|--|---|---|---|---|
| NS 3000<br>War in the<br>Modern World                 | NS 3024<br>Introduction to<br>International<br>Relations   | NS 3040 or 3041<br>Economics<br>Core                      | Strategic<br>Studies<br>Elective                                      | NS 0810<br>Thesis<br>Research   | NS 0810<br>Thesis<br>Research           |
| NS 3023<br>Introduction to<br>Comparative<br>Politics | NS 4560<br>Seminar in<br>Latin American<br>Security Issues | NS 3510<br>Government<br>And Politics<br>in Latin America | NS 4510<br>Seminar in<br>Latin American<br>Government<br>And Politics | NS 3520<br>Latin American<br>International<br>Relations and<br>Security | NS 0810<br>Thesis<br>Research           |
| NS 3501<br>History and Cultures<br>of Latin America   | NS 3xxx or NS<br>4xxx<br>Curricular<br>Elective            | NS 4xxx<br>Curricular<br>Elective                         | NS 4xxx<br>Curricular<br>Elective                                     | NS General or<br>Curricular<br>Elective                                 | NS General or<br>Curricular<br>Elective |
| NS General<br>Elective or<br>JPME (USN)               | NS General<br>Elective or<br>JPME (USN)                    | NS General<br>Elective or<br>JPME (USN)                   | NS General<br>Elective or<br>JPME (USN)                               | NS General or<br>Curricular<br>Elective                                 | NS General or<br>Curricular<br>Elective |
| NS 2011<br>Policy Analysis &<br>Research Methods      |  | NS 4080<br>Research<br>Colloquium                         |   |   |   |

Overall program must include 16 hours of work at the 4000-level.

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#### 4 Quarter Matrix

| (Winter)  | (Spring)   | (Summer)  | (Fall)  |
|---|--|---|---|
| NS 3000<br>War in the<br>Modern World                                   | NS 3040 or 3041<br>Economics<br>Core                       | NS General<br>Elective                                    | NS 0811 Comp<br>Examination                           |
| NS 3023<br>Introduction to<br>Comparative<br>Politics                   | NS 3024<br>Introduction to<br>International<br>Relations   | NS General<br>Elective                                    | NS General<br>Elective                                |
| NS 3501<br>History and Cultures<br>of Latin America                     | NS 4560<br>Seminar in<br>Latin American<br>Security Issues | NS 3510<br>Government and<br>Politics in<br>Latin America | NS 4510<br>Seminar in<br>Latin American<br>Government |
| NS 3520<br>Latin American<br>International<br>Relations and<br>Security | NS 3xxx or NS<br>4xxx<br>Curricular<br>Elective            | NS 3xxx or NS<br>4xxx<br>Curricular<br>Elective           | NS 3xxx or NS<br>4xxx<br>Curricular<br>Elective       |
| NS 2011<br>Policy Analysis &<br>Research Methods                        |  |   |   |

Overall program must include 16 hours of work at the 4000-level and language instruction as determined by sponsor.